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Release Date: 7-8-12
Time: 0800 Hours

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Incident / DR#: Residential Burglary / 12-8121

Date: 7-8-12

Location: 2000 Block of Republic Avenue, Costa Mesa

Time: 0345 Hours

Arrestee:	Name: Gerardo Garcilazo City of Residence: Costa Mesa Charges: Burglary, Petty Theft, Criminal Threats.	Age: 24 : :
Victim:	Name: City of Residence:	Age: : :
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Vehicle:	None	

Synopsis:

On 070812 at 3:45 am, a resident in the 2000 block of Republic Avenue woke to find a stranger (later identified as Garcilazo) inside her home. When Garcilazo saw the residents were awake and looking at him, he fled. The victim saw that the Garcilazo was holding a backpack (which was later found to be containing the victim's stolen property) as he fled. The victim phoned the police and her husband chased Garcilazo from their home. The victim's husband chased Garcilazo out of the house and was able to catch him several houses away. A struggle ensued in the street and several neighbors assisted detaining Garcilazo until the police arrived.

During the struggle to detain Garcilazo, the victim suffered a scraped knee and a bloody nose. Garcilazo was taken to a local hospital and treated for a broken nose, abrasions, and minor lacerations to his face.

At the time of his arrest, Garcilazo was in possession of stolen property belonging to other victims.

The police are seeking the communities help in locating additional victims. If you have any information, please call Detective J. Barnes at 714-754-5198.

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